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25 April 1949

MEMORANDUM FOR: COVERT PERSONNEL OFFICER

Att: [REDACTED]

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Room 1031 - L Bldg.

Subject: [REDACTED]

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1. Attached is the file I once spoke to you about, at which time we agreed to send it directly to [REDACTED] because it seemed possible that General Donovan might have started something on the covert side. It appears now that OSO cannot use him and that they feel any use by the organization involves risk. However, it is conceivable that a man with his unusual qualifications could be used outside of OSO.

2. I have no personal knowledge or feelings in the matter and would appreciate it if you would take over. If possible, I hope you can give him some indication, one way or the other, by the middle of May as he is making plans to go abroad for the summer and I told him I would do my best to get word to him of some sort. Although he is probably ineligible, in any case, for your information he definitely does not want a desk job or a job in Washington.

LAWRENCE R. HOUSTON  
General CounselAttachment: All correspondence and  
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